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## Obesity now No. 1 health risk

**HEALTH** Obesity has surpassed smoking as North America's greatest health risk, an American study and Canadian experts say.

A growing wave of obesity that has rolled across the continent over the past 15 years, coupled with a healthy reduction in smoking, has swept tobacco from its tenacious perch as the top contributor to combined death and disease measures in the two nations.

"By 2008, the numbers for obesity have caught up to smoking ... and probably now it's greater for obesity," says Haomiao Jia, a Columbia University biostatistics expert and the lead study author.

The study was published today in the American Journal of Preventive Medicine.

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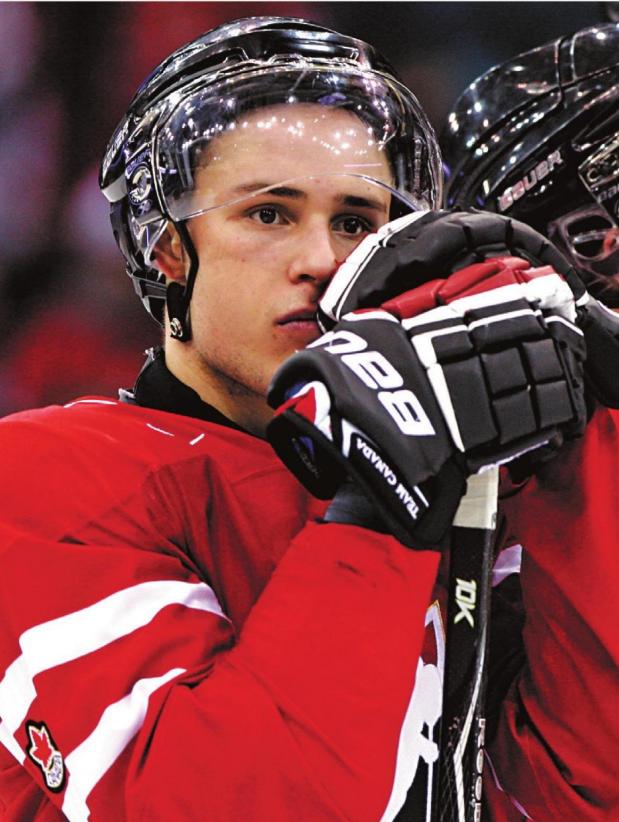
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## Juniors U.S. ends Canadian gold rush



Team Canada's Stefan Della Rovere ponders his team's 6-5 loss to Team USA during overtime in the gold medal final at the World Junior Hockey Championship yesterday in Saskatoon, Sask. Story, page 8

## Naked airport scanners to be installed in Ottawa

The government will install dozens of scanners that can peer through the clothes of travellers in airports across Canada.

It will also set up an airport watch system to look for suspicious passengers and tab them for further screening.

"We've got to stay ahead of the terrorist elements," Transport Minister John Baird said yesterday, announcing plans to buy 44 of

the \$250,000 machines.

The announcement was part of an international response to a Christmas Day attempt by a Nigerian man to blow up a jetliner over Michigan by igniting explosives sewn into his underwear.

"We must remain vigilant," Baird said.

The United States has already demanded tighter screening of passengers from 14 countries, includ-

**"We've got to stay ahead of the terrorist elements. We must remain vigilant."**

Transport Minister John Baird

ing Nigeria. Canada has banned carry-on bags for U.S.-bound air passengers.

Britain also wants to deploy the scanners at its airports, but the government has run into opposition over privacy concerns. Canada's privacy commis-

sioner doesn't share those worries.

Baird and Rob Merrifield, junior transport minister, said the scanners will only be used for passengers singled out for secondary screening. And people who don't want to go through

the machines can opt to be frisked instead.

The scanners will first be installed in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa and Halifax and will all be in place by spring.

The system, tested in B.C. at the Kelowna airport, enables a screening officer to see whether someone is carrying explosives or other dangerous items.

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## Street closures for slain officer's procession

Several downtown streets will be closed between 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. tomorrow to accommodate the funeral procession for Const. Ireneusz (Eric) Czapnik. Closures include Bronson Avenue from Colonel By Drive to Riverside Drive, Bank Street between Riverdale and Fifth Avenue and Sunnyside Avenue from Bronson Avenue to Bank Street. The funeral is held at the Ottawa Civic Centre.

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### News in brief

**HALF-MAST** Flags at city hall will be flown at half-mast Saturday in honour of Patrick J. Murray, a former mayor and councillor for the City of Ottawa who died Jan. 2. He was 76 years old. Murray served as councillor for the former village of Rockcliffe Park from 1979 to 1985 and as mayor from 1985 to 2000.

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Vancouver Whitecaps owner Bob Lenarduzzi joins It's Called Football for Part One of its year in review and

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## Accused's mental health 'an issue'

Officer could be found not criminally responsible in murder: Lawyer

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**There's a possibility that a suspended RCMP officer charged with first-degree murder in the stabbing death of an Ottawa police constable could be found not criminally responsible, a lawyer for the accused said yesterday.**

The mental health of Kevin Gregson is "obviously an issue," lawyer Israel Genger told reporters outside the Elgin Street courthouse following Gregson's appearance yesterday morning. "But what the end result is, I cannot say."

"We'll have him assessed in all likelihood," he said.

A psychological evaluation "is something that obviously has to be considered given the circumstances. We've had preliminary conversations about that with health-care professionals," he said.

With over a dozen police officers in attendance, Gregson, 43, entered Courtroom 30 dressed in a thin white T-shirt, casual grey pants and blue canvas shoes. He was unshaven and had two small bandages on either side of his neck.

The case was adjourned until 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 19, when Gregson will appear



Israel Genger, the lawyer representing Kevin Gregson, the suspended RCMP officer charged with first-degree murder in the slaying of Ottawa police Const. Eric Czapnik, speaks with reporters outside the Elgin Street courthouse yesterday.

### City constable

- Const. Ireneusz (Eric) Czapnik, 51, was stabbed in the early hours of Dec. 29 while sitting in his cruiser outside the emergency department at the Civic Campus of the Ottawa Hospital. The father of four was the first Ottawa police officer killed in the line of duty since 1983.

in provincial court by video remand.

"It will likely be another

remand and it won't be necessary to bring him to court, to put on the extra security that the Ottawa police are obviously doing," Genger said.

Genger said he's not sure if they would be seeking bail at this time, and added he was not in a position to say when the matter would be going to trial, but that there would almost certainly be a jury.

"It's a complicated matter, it's a serious matter," he said.

While there could be a

preliminary hearing beforehand, matters could proceed directly to trial, guilty pleas could be entered, or Gregson could be found not criminally responsible.

"I'm not necessarily saying that's going to happen in this case," Genger said of the latter two scenarios. "It's really impossible to say."

Gregson's family members are "doing as well as can be expected," he said. "It's difficult for them, of course."

## Farmer fined with prohibitions in first OHS court case

An Ottawa court yesterday fined a Navan-area farmer and prohibited him from owning a dog for five years and livestock for two years following an Ottawa Humane Society investigation

last year.

In October, the OHS found a nine-year-old Rottweiler-type dog with an injury to its leg and various livestock on a property without adequate food and

water and lacking appropriate care.

The court has ordered Maurice Mouawad, 54, to pay \$250 restitution to the OHS, and \$1,000 for charges related to livestock.

This was the first time the OHS has had a case proceed to trial since the provincial animal cruelty act came into effect last March.

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**College profs set for strike vote**

**EDUCATION** Full-time professors at colleges across Ontario will be holding a strike vote a week from today, but that doesn't necessarily mean we'll see picket lines around Algonquin College this winter.

The vote would give the bargaining team a mandate to recommend a strike if an agreement cannot be reached anytime soon, but Algonquin College professor Rod Bain, a member of the OPSEU bargaining team, said such a step has become a standard procedure in bargaining.

"It doesn't mean there will be a strike, but it does mean that one is possible," said Bain. "Unfortunately, it is something that we pretty much need to do in order to move management toward a settlement."

There have only been three strikes since the 1970s, said Bain. The latest strike, in the winter of 2006, ended with both sides agreeing to binding arbitration. Bain said the main sticking point this time relates to workload issues that were unsolved from the previous strike. College professors are looking for a 20 per cent increase in paid time to prepare for classes or to meet with students outside of class time, he said.

A spokesperson from the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities said they are waiting to see the results of the vote before returning to negotiations.

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# Canada



## No criminal record for Tillman

Saskatchewan Roughriders general manager Eric Tillman, left, will not have a criminal record after pleading guilty to sexually assaulting a teenage girl. Regina provincial court Judge Murray Hinds yesterday granted Tillman an absolute discharge a day after the member of the CFL team's executive entered his guilty plea. The sentence means Tillman won't have a criminal record and will have no further obligations to the court, although his conviction stands. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Harper focused on economy

PM says Canadians worried about jobs, not Afghanistan

**Prime Minister Stephen Harper says Canadians aren't really concerned about allegations that the government engaged in a coverup over the abuse of Afghan detainees.**

"I think polls have been pretty clear that that's not on the top of the radar of most Canadians," Harper said in an interview with CBC-TV correspondent Peter Mansbridge.

The government had been on the defensive late last year over allegations that it tried to cover up information that Afghan authorities were abusing Afghan detainees after they were handed over by Canadian soldiers. And opposition MPs say Harper decided to suspend Parliament until March to shut down a

House of Commons committee probing the detainee controversy.

But Harper said Canadians are more interested in the recession battering the country. "What's on the radar is the economy."

The prime minister said his government wants to focus on economic conditions when Parliament reopens on March 3 with a speech from the throne and a budget the next day.

But there's no doubt the opposition parties will return to the Afghan detainee issue in March, he said. "They've been on that subject for three or four years now. I'm sure they'll continue on it."



In his first public comments on his decision to close down Parliament for the second time in a little over a year, Harper insisted it was a "routine constitutional matter" if the government isn't threatened with defeat by other parties in the Commons.

"We want to take some time to recalibrate the government's agenda" on the economy and other policies, the prime minister said. He didn't name the other priority issues, but Conservatives have said law-and-order legislation will feature prominently in the next session.

He also said the government will quickly fill vacancies in the Senate to make

it harder for Liberal senators to make changes to Conservative legislation approved in the Commons.

On the question of re-aligning airline security in the wake of the latest terrorist scare in the United States, Harper said security measures in Canada will have to become tighter.

"We don't have to take identical measures (as the U.S.), but we certainly have to undertake measures that would prevent any similar kind of threat in Canada."

Ottawa will examine the 14-country terrorist watch list announced by the U.S. in recent days to see if Canada should adopt this approach. But "we may arrive at different conclusions," Harper said.

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## Calgary Training with the pooch



Deanne Collinson, a Calgary-based certified trainer of 6Legs to Fitness, a fitness program for dogs and their owners, works out with her dog Maddie, an Irish terrier, yesterday.

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**Obama opposes closing locks to keep out fish**

The Obama administration opposes closing shipping locks near Chicago to prevent Asian carp from invading the Great Lakes. The voracious fish have been migrating up the Mississippi and Illinois rivers toward the Great Lakes for decades. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

# World



## Groups fear scanners will exploit kids

Britain's government wants to quickly deploy full body scanners at U.K. airports to fight an expanded terrorist threat, but privacy concerns — and fears that children may be exploited — seem likely to slow the plan. Privacy campaigners and children's rights groups say the technology, now being tested at Manchester Airport, violates British and European law by producing sexually explicit images of children. They say the machines cannot be allowed because they can clearly show a child's genitalia.

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## 'Screw-up that could have been disastrous:' Obama

**U.S. President Barack Obama asserted yesterday the government had enough information to foil the attempted bombing on a Christmas Day airline flight, but intelligence agencies "failed to connect those dots" and left nearly 300 passengers and crew in peril.**

Obama called that unacceptable. "I will not tolerate it," he said.

The accused attacker, 23-year-old Nigerian Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab, has claimed ties to al-Qaida. Witnesses said he ignited an explosive mixture, but it failed to do serious damage to the Northwest jetlin-



**"We have to do better, and we will do better. And we will do it quickly."**

U.S. President Barack Obama on the failure to prevent an attempted bombing

er or its passengers, and he was subdued by other passengers and airline crew members on the Detroit-bound Northwest Airlines flight.

Obama, speaking after meeting with his Cabinet and national security team, declared, "We have to do better, and we will do better. And we will do it quickly."

But while he expressed clear displeasure with the U.S. failure to prevent the suspect from boarding a

U.S.-bound flight, Obama did not announce any firings or job reassignments.

According to a White House statement released later, Obama told his gathering of officials: "This was a screw-up that could have been disastrous. We dodged a bullet, but just barely. It was averted by brave individuals, not because the system worked, and that is not acceptable."

Obama also said he was suspending the transfer of

Guantanamo detainees to Yemen. The Christmas attack has raised concerns about Yemen, because the Nigerian man has claimed to have been acting on instructions from al-Qaida operatives in that country.

Nearly half of the 198 terror suspect detainees held at Guantanamo Bay in Cuba are from Yemen. But Obama reiterated his vow to eventually close the camp.

"Make no mistake, we will close Guantanamo prison," Obama said. The camp, he said, "was an explicit rationale for the formation of al-Qaida" operating in Yemen.

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## Book sheds light on bin Laden clan

**IRAN** With a book written by one of Osama bin Laden's sons, and with news of a daughter sheltering in the Saudi Embassy in Iran, some blanks are being filled in on the life of the terrorist's family. Two weeks ago, Omar bin Laden revealed that many of the children who had been with their father in Afghanistan escaped to Iran.

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## Photo captures space ... as a toddler

**SPACE** The U.S. Hubble Space Telescope has captured the earliest image yet of the universe — just 600 million years after the Big Bang, when the universe was just a toddler.

Scientists released the photo yesterday at a meeting of the American Astronomical Society. It is the most complete picture of the early universe so far, showing galaxies with stars that are already hundreds of millions of years old, along with the unmistakable primordial signs of the first cluster of stars.

These young galaxies haven't yet formed their familiar spiral or elliptical shapes and are much smaller and quite blue in colour.

### New telescope

• As far back as Hubble can see, it still does not see the first galaxies. For that, NASA will have to rely on a new observatory, the \$4.5 billion US James Webb telescope, which is set to launch in about four years.

That's mostly because at this stage, they don't contain many heavy metals, said Garth Illingworth, a University of California, Santa Cruz, astronomy professor who was among those releasing the photo.

"We're seeing very small galaxies that are seeds of the great galaxies today," Illingworth said in a news

conference.

Until NASA's Hubble telescope was repaired and upgraded last year, the farthest back in time that astronomers could see was about 900 million years after the Big Bang, Illingworth said. Hubble has been key in helping determine the age of the universe at about 13.7 billion years, ending a long scientific debate about a decade ago.

"We are on the way to the beginning," said astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson of the American Museum of Natural History. "Every step closer to the beginning tells you something you did not know before."

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## London Taking stock



Mammal keeper Lucy Smith counts coatis during the annual stocktaking at London Zoo yesterday. More than 750 different species are tallied up in the count.

## News in brief

**PHILIPPINES** A member of a powerful political clan yesterday pleaded not guilty to murder charges in the Philippines' worst election massacre of 57 people, including journalists and members of a rival's family. Andal Ampatuan Jr., a town mayor in southern

Maguindanao province where his family ruled unopposed for years, has been initially charged with 41 counts of murder in the Nov. 23 attack on an election caravan.

**MEXICO** Gunmen killed 13 people in a single day in the violence-plagued Mexican border city of Ciudad Juarez, state prosecutors said. Two of the dead were police officers. The Chihuahua state Attorney General's Office issued a news release that said Monday's killings might be tied to organized crime. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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## Comment

# There's a new gunslinger in Alberta

TheWestView

**Paul Sullivan**



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that's three: Social Credit, Reform, and now this.

What is it about Alberta that fosters a live-free-or-die attitude among its citizens? Maybe it should be designated a distinct society, like Quebec or Newfoundland.

If you've never heard of Wildrose, don't feel bad. Until the day before yesterday, it had exactly one seat in the 83-seat Alberta legislature, while the Perpetual Conservatives, who have governed uninterrupted for 38 years, had 70.

Well, pardner, all that

changed when two Tory MLAs, fed up with the dank obscurity of the back bench, rode their 15 minutes of fame across the floor of the house, and the Wildrose vaulted over the NDP to become the third largest party in Alberta, even though it won't be two years old until Jan. 19.

So people are starting to take notice. There's even a chance Wildrose will increase its elected caucus to four as former Tory Guy Boutilier, cast into the ranks of independents by a wrathful Premier Ed Stelmach

last summer for daring to complain out loud, gleefully ponders casting his lot with Wildrose before the legislature opens next month.

You're also forgiven if you think you've seen this movie before. Wildrose rose from the ashes of the Alberta Alliance, which itself rose from the ashes of the Reform Party, and down there somewhere, lurks the ghost of Bible Bill Aberhart, the father of Social Credit.

However, the new face of Social Credit/Reform/Alberta is the infinitely more attractive Danielle Smith,

who, while fiscally conservative, is media savvy and a celebrated alum of Calgary Inc.'s 40 Under 40. Unlike the previous generation of Reform/Alliance media beefheads, Smith understands modern media relations, and is not about to be trapped into the macho, homophobic, white supremacist self-destruction common to the clan.

Still, is there room for two parties on the right, even in Alberta, where there's apparently room for anything? Stephen Harper didn't think so, and he got

to be prime minister by uniting the right, even if the earliest fusion, the Canadian Conservative Reform Alliance, came to CCRAP when you added the word "party," which, of course, everybody did.

But don't think Stelmach isn't looking over his shoulder. There's a new gunslinger in Wildrose Country, and in a delightful 21st-century twist, she's a woman.

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## Word on the street: What are your New Year's resolutions?

**Britt Gregg-Wallace**  
Ottawa

A: I didn't make one. I find that January is not a great time for resolutions. September is more my month, but I don't think I made one then either.



**Clayton Dignard**  
Ottawa

A: To love more. I don't think there is enough of that going around these days.



**Kate Hughes**  
Visiting Ottawa

A: My New Year's resolution is to learn French and Spanish.



**John MacDonald**  
Toronto

A: Try to do hard things, things that I wouldn't normally do ... take a dance class or learn a new language, something out of the ordinary.



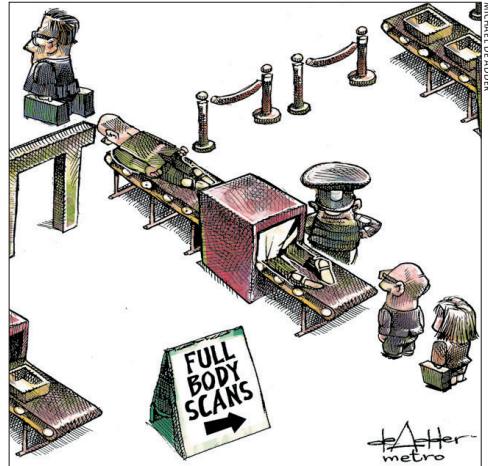
**Sheila Forbes**  
Dartmouth, N.S.

A: I don't make resolutions. Everyday live it to the best you can. If you live everyday like that for the rest of your life, then it works out better.



**David Blanchard**  
Edmonton

A: I want to support more local venues by buying food at farmers' markets.



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# Business

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## Google's smartphone hits the market in U.S.

Hype, high price may hurt Nexus One's appeal

**Google Inc. began selling its own mobile phone yesterday, a much-anticipated move aimed at protecting its online advertising empire as people increasingly surf the web on handsets instead of personal computers — but Canadians will have to wait until they can order one.**

The Nexus One joins about 20 other mobile devices that already run on Android, the mobile operating system that Google introduced in 2007 to make it easier to connect to its services and other web sites away from home or the office.

Google designed the touch-screen phone in partnership with Taiwan's HTC Corp., which made the first Android-powered phone and will manufacture this one, too. Google will handle all sales online

**Android**

- Until now, Google has been content to let other companies design the devices relying on Android. And those devices thus far have largely been distributed like most other mobile phones, tethered to major wireless carriers that typically require buyers to lock into two-year contracts in return for discounts.

and has no plans to let consumers check out the Nexus One in retail stores.

The Nexus One has been in the hands of Google employees for the past three weeks, triggering media speculation and anticipation for the company's first attempt to peddle a consumer electronics device.

Given the hype, the Nexus One could be a bit of a

letdown because it only takes a few steps beyond what's already possible on handheld devices. And the Nexus One's standard price of \$529 US may lessen its appeal.

On Twitter, a Google Canada spokesperson offered the company's rationale for not launching the phone in Canada yet: "We're gradually launching in different places to get user feedback and ensure smooth ordering," the spokesperson said.

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## Las Vegas Almost showtime



Workers set up the Samsung booth at the Consumer Electronics Show (CES) in Las Vegas, yesterday. The showroom floor opens Thursday.

## Business in brief

**AUTO INDUSTRY** December proved to be a big month for many of Canada's leading car companies as Ford of Canada, Toyota Canada and Hyundai all reported banner months. Ford said its December sales soared

more than 25 per cent compared with 2008, while Toyota claimed its best-ever sales for the month.

**CURRENCY** The Canadian dollar's renewed climb on global currency markets is raising

concerns manufacturers won't be able to take full advantage of a production spike south of the border. The loonie rose to the highest level since October yesterday.

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Matt Holliday is staying with the St. Louis Cardinals, agreeing yesterday to a \$120-million US, seven-year contract that is baseball's richest deal of the off-season. The Cardinals announced yesterday they had agreed with the power-hitting outfielder on a multi-year contract subject to a physical. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# Sports



## Big Unit retiring

Randy Johnson, left, is retiring after 22 major league seasons. The Big Unit, an overpowering left-hander who last June became the 24th pitcher to win 300 games, made the expected announcement yesterday. The five-time Cy Young Award winner owns a World Series ring and co-MVP honours.

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## No gold for Canada

### WORLD JUNIORS

#### U.S. 6 Canada 5 (OT)

John Carlson scored his second goal of the game in overtime as the United States won the world junior hockey championship with a 6-5 victory over Canada last night.

Carlson beat Canadian goaltender Martin Jones on a 3-on-1 after U.S. goalie Jack Campbell made a save at the other end.

Canada came up just short in its bid to win a record sixth straight world junior title.

The U.S. seemed to have the game in hand when Jerry D'Amigo and Derek Stepan scored in the third period to put the United States up 5-3.



Alex Pietrangelo of Team Canada blocks a pass to Matt Donovan of Team USA in front of Jake Allen.

But Saskatchewan native Jordan Eberle scored two late goals to send the game

to overtime.

The 11 goals were the most ever scored at a

world junior hockey championship final.

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## Thomas continues domination of Sens

### NHL

#### Bruins 4 Senators 1



Blake Wheeler scored twice and added an assist and Tim Thomas continued his dominance of Ottawa yesterday, picking up his 11th straight win over the Senators in the Boston Bruins' 4-1 victory.

Thomas hasn't lost to Ottawa since Nov. 4, 2007, and improved his and the Bruins' record against them this year to 4-0 by stopping 27 shots before an announced sellout crowd of 19,156 at Scotiabank Place, where the Senators have proven tough to beat this year.

Ottawa, however, suffered from another shaky outing from a goaltender and, for the second straight game, was forced to pull its starter when Brian Elliott was replaced by Pascal Leclaire in the first period.

Thomas shut out the Senators 2-0 the last time the teams met, Dec. 21, and a lone power-play goal from Filip Kuba was all Ottawa could manage this time.

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# Vancouver Games

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## Older and wiser

Alexandre Bilodeau learns from Turin experience

**A baby-faced Alexandre Bilodeau was oozing with confidence as he stood atop the Olympic moguls run in Turin.**

About a month before the 2006 Games, the teenager had become the youngest man ever to win a World Cup moguls event. He captured a second gold only days before the Olympics.

With only a handful of World Cup competitions under his belt, Bilodeau had quickly surged to No. 2 in the world and was a genuine Olympic medal contender.

It all happened so fast it almost seemed easy, he now admits.

Almost.

"My run was great, I had just one mistake, which cost me a lot," said Bilodeau, now 22, who missed his second jump in Turin and tumbled to an 11th-place finish.

"I will always remember the mistake and I won't do it again."

Today, the reigning World Cup champ isn't exactly grizzled, but he is



**"I will always remember the mistake and I won't do it again."**

Alexandre Bilodeau, on a missed jump in Turin that dropped him to 11th

wiser and even more accomplished than the self-described "young pup" version of himself that competed in Turin.

"Before 2006, I didn't know what the Olympics were all about," said Bilodeau, whose eyes widen when he starts talking about the Games.

"You've got four years to train for one thing."

The Rosemere, Que. native is now gunning for that next shot at an Olympic medal.

Since his first Olympic appearance, Bilodeau's career has soared in a judged discipline that awards points to athletes based on their technique for navigating the moguls, their execution of two aerial tricks and how fast they can tear down the hill.

Bilodeau finished the

2005-06 season ranked second in the world and was named FIS rookie of the year. The following season he finished at No. 3, and in 2007-08 he was No. 4.

Last season, he exploded on the World Cup hills, winning five golds and three silvers in nine starts en route to the championship.

Fellow Canadians Pierre-Alexandre Rousseau of Drummondville, Que., and Vincent Marquis of Quebec City joined Bilodeau on the podium twice last year, making them only the second team to pull off such a feat on the World Cup circuit.

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Moguls World Cup champ Alexandre Bilodeau is gunning for another shot at an Olympic medal after falling short of the podium in Turin as a teenager.

## Added security won't upset Vancouver airport's Olympic plan, says exec

Vancouver's airport has beefed up its security equipment and added extra staff to hand-search U.S.-bound passengers in the wake of tighter American security rules just weeks before an expected flood of Winter Olympic visitors.

Don Ehrenholz, operations vice-president for the airport, said in an interview that even before yesterday's announcement that the airport would like-

ly be among the first to get full-body scanners, airport officials had been increasing security measures in the wake of the Christmas Day terrorism scare in Detroit.

"Certainly in the last two weeks we've made a lot of adjustments," said Ehrenholz.

"CATSA (Canadian Air Transport Security Authority) has provided that equipment and a lot of extra people to do the hand-

### Body scanner coming

• Vancouver airport operations vice-president Don Ehrenholz said he did not know how many full-body scanners Vancouver would

get, nor when they would arrive, though he expected one or two to be in place before the opening ceremonies Feb. 12.

searching component, which is the extra piece we've had to add to U.S.-bound passengers."

The move comes after an abortive attempt by an al-

leged Nigerian terrorist to blow up a Detroit-bound flight on Christmas Day using explosives hidden in his underpants.

In the wake of the failed

attack, Ottawa banned carry-on bags for U.S.-bound travellers, except for purses and laptop computers, and ordered mandatory pat-downs after passengers had gone through magnetic scanners.

Before the incident, Vancouver's airport had an elaborate plan in place to handle the increasing numbers of travellers into the city for the Games.

The plans include a temporary departure terminal

to handle Olympic and Paralympic athletes, families, officials and others connected with the Games.

While the arrival of athletes, media and spectators for the Feb. 12 start of the Games is expected to be spread out, a major crush is expected when they wrap up.

Officials expect a record 39,000 passengers to leave on March 1, the day after the closing ceremonies.

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Japanese safety standards for hybrid and electric vehicles may become the global standard, with the UN World Forum for Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations likely to adopt them when it meets in Geneva in March, according to the Green Car Congress. CANADIANDRIVER.COM

# Metro Drive



## New ads for Chrysler

Chrysler has introduced a new advertising campaign, intended to let all customers know that it has emerged from bankruptcy and is now a different company with a new alliance partner and a healthy product plan.

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# Toyota Yaris sharp, spunky

The exchange at Toyota Canada began like any other — sign the paperwork, grab the keys, go out and find my test vehicle.

But when I went to press the key fob to flash the lights and identify the correct Yaris, I realized there was no fob and no buttons — just a plain old key.

It was then I sensed trouble.

Parked in front of me was the 2010 Yaris three-door CE Hatchback, in all but its most basic trim.

No keyless entry, no power locks, no power windows and when I sat down to adjust the mirrors, found no power adjustments here either.

In fact, the only options were a four-speed automatic transmission that added

### 2010 Toyota Yaris CE 3-door Hatchback

**Type:** 3-door hatchback

**Drive method:** Front-engine, front-wheel-drive

**Engine:** DOHC 1.5 litre, 16-valve four cylinder (106 hp, 103 lb/ft of torque)

**Fuel economy:** Automatic: 7.0/5.7/6.4L/100km (city/hwy/combined)

**Price:** \$13,620 (base) plus \$1,000 for automatic and \$1,155 for air conditioning

**Website:** Toyota.ca

\$1,000 to the base price of \$13,620, and air conditioning for another \$1,155.

Despite the challenges of running around locking and unlocking doors, rolling up windows (thankfully I didn't have the five-door) and fiddling with the side mirrors, I was im-

pressed that Toyota included such a stripped-down model in its press fleet.

Sure you can order the Yaris Hatchback as a fully-loaded, five-door RS with the necessary power doodads, in-dash six-CD changer, aluminum alloys and more, but that brings the price to \$20,555 — more than many would expect to pay for an entry-level subcompact.

Driving the base car, on the other hand, focuses one's mind more squarely on the driving experience, not the gadgets.

My first impression was that the Yaris Hatch is a sharp little car.

More handsome than its sibling four-door sedan, more chic than the Echo, which it replaced, and light years more stylish

than the Tercel, which preceded all of these as Toyota's subcompact offering.

It's stubby nose, short front and rear overhangs, and protruding wheel arches give the Yaris Hatch a sporty, firmly-planted, foursquare stance.

Inside, the base unit is fairly spartan,

with a simple hooded instrument panel in the centre of the dash and a two-speaker AM/FM/CD sound system (with plug-in for MP3 players) and three large knobs for climate control and fan speed directly below.

Still, the wide expanse of textured plastic on either side of the instruments is well outfitted with storage. There's a pull-out cupholder to the left of the steering wheel, a glovebox behind the wheel, an upper and lower glovebox on the passenger side, and another cupholder on the far

right.

The front bucket seats offer few adjustments (forward/back, recline), but provide high bolsters in the thighs and back and a comfortable grippy fabric that really holds you in place during hard cornering.

On the passenger side, a single lever folds the front seat and moves it forward enough for access to the rear. It's surprisingly roomy in back, with plenty of kneeroom, shoulder room and headroom for two large adults.

With short overhangs, a stubby nose and wheels pushed out to the corners, the 2010 Yaris CE three-door hatchback displays a punchy attitude in contrast to its thrifty base price and fuel economy.

Three of lesser size will fit in a pinch, but for short trips only. Yaris has style and attitude, and although it may not be the cheapest among the competition, it offers an ideal combination of fuel efficiency, and practicality.

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## METRO HOCKEY POOL STANDINGS\*

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3. Christian Gagnon	NB, CA	577	232	339	571
3. Jean-Paul Osborne	QC, CA	596	233	338	571
3. Shawn Tschirriter	AB, CA	593	231	340	571
6. Brian B	AB, CA	592	236	334	570
7. Cole Warren	NS, CA	584	206	359	565
7. Jonathon Gremperger	BC, CA	599	241	324	565
9. Feroz Mir	ON, CA	594	224	334	558
9. Steve Ferguson	ON, CA	593	235	323	558
11. Tom Collier	NS, CA	608	252	305	557
12. Paula Almeida-Stille		592	234	321	555
12. Stephen Stille	ON, CA	592	234	321	555
14. Matty Strathearn	NS, CA	602	236	318	554
15. Brad Goertz	BC, CA	570	196	357	553

\* Results exclude Quebec

## U.S. drivers want cell use: Survey

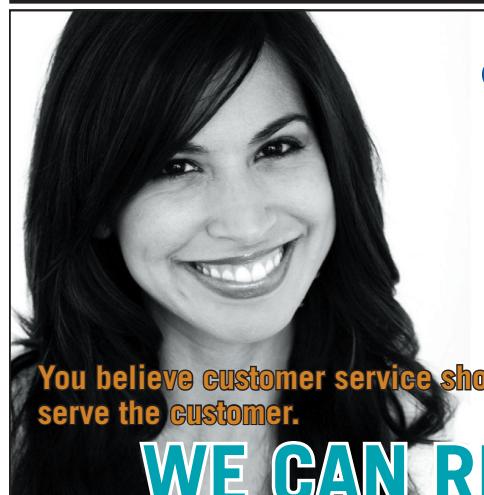
**DRIVING** Some 72 per cent of U.S. drivers polled will not give up their cell phones while driving, even if it is against the law, according to a poll conducted by hands-free communications company Cellcontrol. Of those surveyed, 88 per cent admitted to using a cell phone to text, e-mail, surf the Web or have a conversation while driving in the past 12 months. However, nearly 75 per cent of the group agreed that driving while texting is equally as dangerous as driving while intoxicated.

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# Workology

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## The face of tech

### Working at School

Every Wednesday for the next month Metro's Workology section will be featuring a variety of careers that you may not have thought of; jobs in which you stay in college or university after graduating. There are many jobs that make post-secondary institutions hum, here's but one:

RAFAEL BRUSILOW  
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**On campuses across Canada, computer and audio-visual technicians are often the go-to people for instant help and a lot of peace of mind.**

For many of them, the full-time work provides a satisfying career supported by strong unions, reasonable work hours and a great work environment full of people who share a common bond.

Charlie Pollock, 31, did a psychology degree but always had a knack for fixing computers so when a full-time desktop support technician position opened up at the University of Calgary, he jumped at the chance to make it a job.

Now, four years of full-time work later, he still loves the challenge of fixing computers and the thrill of the kill when he solves a tough case.

"It's always changing, never the same. Every day you run into new problems — it's kind of Sherlock Holmes-ey, you have to do research and take

**"Our job is largely customer service focused so you don't want to burn any bridges or make anyone feel stupid."**

Computer technician  
Charlie Pollock

some time to deal with the tougher problems correctly," Pollock said.

With a plethora of platforms, hardware and software abounding, Pollock says the greatest challenge is often just getting a grip of the specifics on individual situations for which sometimes even the Internet is stumped for answers.

Ultimately Pollock says his work is less about fixing gadgets and more about dealing with people, since the whole point of keeping computers running is to help out the people who need them.

"Our job is largely customer service focused so you don't want to burn any bridges or make anyone feel stupid. A lot of times people just don't understand the technology, and that's fine," Pollock said.

Spencer Cantley, 30, has been a full-time audio-visual technician at Dalhousie University in Halifax for more than six years and is tasked with loaning and maintaining hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of cameras, comput-

ers, lighting systems and projectors. For him it's necessary to always stay in touch with what's new but he doesn't consider it a chore at all since it forces him to continually learn new things about the technology he loves.

"I'm just constantly learning and from an electronics standpoint, on the job, that's exciting," Cantley said.

Cantley says the best part of the job is meeting new people every new school year. He finds his work spontaneous and fun, especially when he gets hired out to personally photograph or tape special events using all the professional equipment he has personally maintained.

"Every semester brings new people and I love meeting people. I also love that my job changes on a daily basis — it's never the exact same thing on any given day," Cantley said.

For more of the Working at School exclusive series check Workology every Wednesday or stop by: [metronews.ca/work](http://metronews.ca/work)

### uCal cuts gifted programs

The University of Calgary's education faculty announced that due to the market downturn the university would not renew the contract of Centre for Gifted Education acting director, who was providing free counselling to parents and gifted elementary and high school students. The centre's summer camps and Saturday programs have also been discontinued. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**



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The University of Lethbridge announced last month that Dr. Michael Mahon has been named the new president of the institution, effective July 1. He is a graduate of the Universities of Manitoba, Alberta, and North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Mahon. METRO NEWS SERVICES



Many company will be hiring this year according to a survey.

## IT and manufacturing industries set to hire

**According to a CareerBuilder survey of 2,700 hiring managers and human resource professionals across industries, hiring in the new year promises to affect a wide variety of jobs types — it just might take a little while to get going.**

"Although 20 per cent of employers plan to add headcount in 2010, up from 14 per cent last year, they still remain cautious in regards to their hiring. We're headed in the right direction but should not expect to see actual job growth until at least Q2 2010," said Matt Ferguson, CEO of CareerBuilder.

### Hiring By Industry

Comparing selected industries, hiring is expected to increase in information technology, manufacturing, financial services, professional and business services, and sales in the coming year. Thirty-two per cent of

IT, 27 per cent of manufacturing, and 23 per cent of financial services employers plan to add full-time, permanent employees in 2010, followed by 22 per cent of employers in professional and business services and 21 per cent in sales. Health-care employers are also planning to expand staffs at 21 per cent followed by 18 per cent of transportation employers and 15 per cent of retail.

### Hiring By Job Type

When asked which areas employers plan to hire for in 2010, one-third pointed to technology followed by 28 per cent in customer service. Nearly one-quarter (23 per cent) plan to add sales people, 18 per cent will add research/development, 17 per cent in business development, 15 per cent in accounting/finance and 14 per cent in marketing.

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# Even the Dragons call in the experts sometimes

## Dragons' Den

**Dianne Buckner**

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Sometimes a little help goes a long way. In any facet of work or life, to be successful means you have to be humble enough to ask for help when you need it. And tonight's episode of Dragons' Den proves the Dragons are no different. For the first time ever, the Dragons invite three industry experts to weigh in on the pitches presented.

In their own careers leading up to Dragon status, the Den's panel of entrepreneurs have become experts in their own fields — but that doesn't mean they know everything about everything. And considering the incredibly wide range of business ideas that are pitched on the program, some are bound to be in markets where the Dragons are less than 100-per-cent confident.

These money-savvy millionaires don't want to miss a fantastic opportunity, just because it lies outside their comfort zone. So



Calgary entrepreneurs Demetrius Lloyd and Daniel Diamond meet surprise guest Mike Holmes on tonight's Dragons' Den episode.

bring on the expert advisors.

Consulting an expert can benefit anyone. If you're trying to get your boss or a team member to buy into your idea, it can definitely pay off to do a bit of research. Have other companies used the strategy you're proposing? Is there a famous quote from someone with proven experience that backs up what you're saying? It definitely adds to the credibility of your presentation if you can show you've done your homework.

You'll see tonight how an expert opinion can help, or hinder, a presentation.

Daniel Diamond and Demetrius Lloyd of Calgary

brave the Den with a specialty tool they've invented. They know their product inside and out, but they need help turning their invention into a business.

And they know the wealthy Dragons can help them, if they can explain the opportunity properly.

Luckily home inspection guru Mike Holmes is there to help. As Arlene admits, "Thank goodness you're here, Mike, because he lost me at rebar."

Even the toughest of critics, Kevin O'Leary, appreciates an expert's help in the den. "We're basically trying

to determine the risk of the market or product or service. And an expert's opinion is a great way of determining that risk."

But proving your point with a little backup won't necessarily get you a deal or drive home that sales presentation, especially when looking for capital, or CASH as the dragons fondly refer to it. An expert helps, but it's still up to you.

As Kevin O'Leary points out, "In the end it's my own money and the only expert I trust is me."

Dianne Buckner is the host of Dragons' Den and the weekend anchor on the CBC News Network. Watch Dragons' Den at 8 p.m. tonight on CBC.

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**Allegations of bad faith**

Few employees can afford to wait years to settle a case. Many of these cases would have settled quickly but for trumped up allegations of bad faith or mistreatment. When you name names in a lawsuit, you motivate your employer to vigorously defend it. —DANIEL LUBLIN

# Avoid your closet skeletons in court

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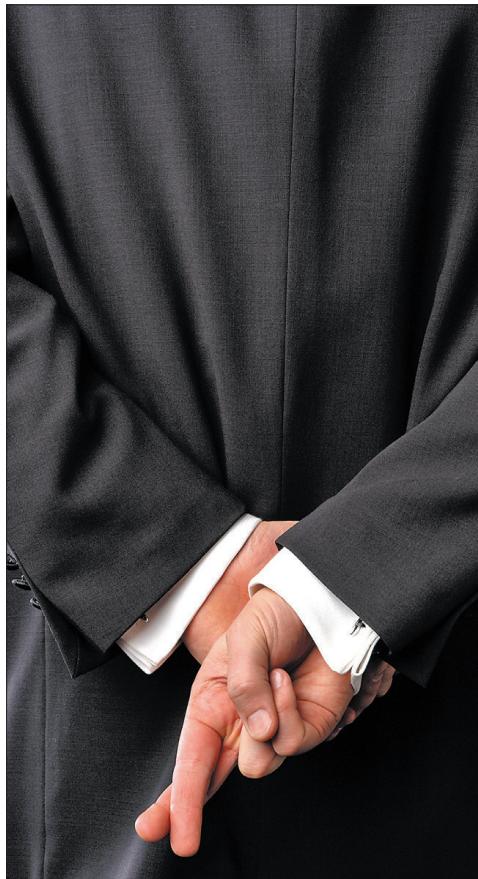
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Employees are often the authors of their own misfortunes at work. Few take advantage of laws that are construed in their favour. Fewer will challenge their employer's decisions, however unjust. Most will just complain. But — if you have an inclination to fight back, here are some do's and don'ts:

**Condonation:** If you disagree with an employer's decision, such as not receiving a salary increase or promotion, you must immediately protest it and do so in writing. Failing to respond simply conveys to your employer that you agreed with its decision or at least that you did not care enough to complain. Otherwise, don't try to argue the bonus you say you were promised must now be paid. Similarly, many good cases of harassment or constructive dismissal die on the vine because of a delay in mounting an appropriate response. If you want a court to believe that your job was rendered so intolerable that you had no option but to leave, then you should swiftly do just that.

**Skeletons:** Just about every employee has a skeleton in their closet. If yours is so bad you can't risk it being exposed, then do not challenge your employer's decision to dismiss you, however unfair. Some workplace skeletons, although not harmful to your case, will ultimately be harmful to your reputation.

**Investigations:** If you are being accused of some form of misconduct, do nothing further that suggests you are being untruthful. Often, the initial allegation will quietly go away but by trying to cover-up even a small transgression you will give the employer the very cause to fire you it was so desperately seeking. In one recent British Columbia case, the court found the employee would have been entitled to damages but for his dishonesty during an investigation into his alleged misconduct.



If you are being accused of some form of misconduct, do nothing further that suggests you are being untruthful, that can often make things worse for you, says columnist Daniel Lublin.

**Pick your battles**

- In one recent case, the employee lost because he challenged his employer's efforts to restructure, although it was done to limit lost inventory. Do not expect your employer's sympathy when you challenge good faith decisions to cut costs.

**Contracts:** Do not take the position that your contract applies in some circumstances but should be thrown out in others. Employees get caught when taking advantage of contractual promises, such as a golden parachute, but then breaching that same contract's limitations on working for a competitor or speaking with their clients following departure. Many lawsuits turn sideways when the conduct you complain of is similar to what you have done.

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**Workology in brief**

**N.L. COLLEGE GETS MORE AUTONOMY:** Recently, the Newfoundland and Labrador gov-

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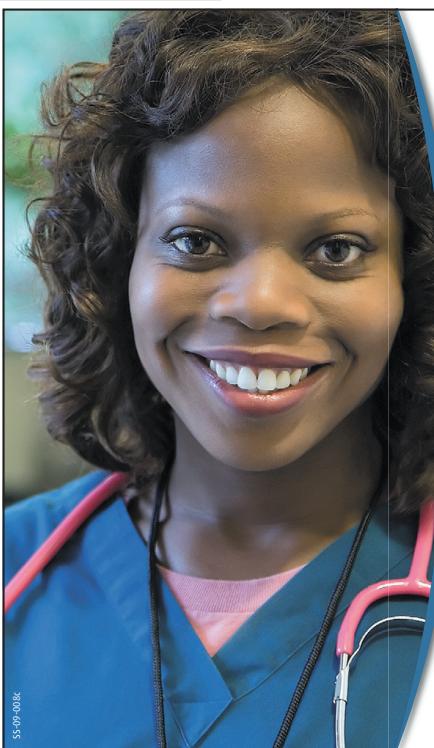
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## Is that a sherpa in your pocket...?



On the road, nothing really beats a good tip from a local on where to get the best ribs, catch a jazz show, or how to score tickets at a popular venue. Guide books invariably promise to give tourists the local scoop and routinely deliver mixed results. But Pocket Sherpa, an iPhone app, could be your best travel companion. The application is tied to the [localytics.com](http://localytics.com) — which seeks to connect travellers with "local people who are proud of where they live and want to share their local knowledge." The app promises to connect users to more than 40,000 locals in 7,000-plus locations. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Travel

## Party at Florida's pirate Mardi Gras

Tampa Bay's street festival attracted 350,000 eye-patched, peg-legged revellers in 2009

**Dave Pagano started his life as a pirate a few years back wearing a white linen shirt with puffy sleeves and open neckline.**

Then he bought a bandanna, a dreadlocked wig, a replica musket, a sword, a knife and, this year alone, \$500 US worth of beads.

Pagano is a Tampa pirate and, later this month, he will be in his buccaneer glory when the city's annual pirate festival, Gasparilla, kicks off. Gasparilla, which is more than a century old, attracted 350,000 people last year. It's known for its rowdy, Mardi Gras-style atmosphere — including bead-tossing by costumed revellers.

Pagan will be among them, wandering the



Pirates hang off the Jose Gasparilla pirate ship as it makes its way along Sedon Channel during the 'invasion' of Tampa Bay.

crowds during three parades, handing out long strings of beads — some with rubber ducks attached. (The ducks also wear pirate hats.)

**141**

Pretend pirates cause trouble too, though less serious. Because of problems in residential areas near the parade and public drunkenness in past years (141 people were arrested during the 2009 fest), Tampa Police will have a larger presence this year and crack down on inappropriate behaviour.

"You cannot describe the fun you have doing it," said Pagano, a 50-something business consultant who, even on New Year's Eve, sat in a bar dressed in full pirate regalia.

With hundreds of thousands of people turning out to watch, it's easy to see why folks like Pagano

tend to get a little pirate-obsessed. But you don't need an elaborate costume to enjoy the Gasparilla fun. A pair of comfortable shoes and a little pre-party planning will do.

The first event takes place Jan. 23, with the Children's Gasparilla Extravaganza.

This is an alcohol-free event, with bike rodeos, children in pint-sized pirate costumes and fireworks. Held in the same location as the adult-themed parade a week later, the children's parade is family friendly and free.

The true bacchanal begins Jan. 30, with a 10 a.m. Invasion Brunch at the Tampa Convention Center and then storms through the city. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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**Toronto hostels tops in North America**

Hostel-goers throughout the world have rated three Toronto hostels — Clarence Castle, Canadiana Backpackers Inn, and All Days House as three of the top hostel destinations throughout North America. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

## Learn the ropes on Stoneham's slopes

**Professional snowboarders will hold instructional clinics for riders up to age 15 at Stoneham Mountain Resort during the annual Snowboard Jamboree Festival.**

The young riders will get tips on participating in competitions and be able

to apply their skills in contests the same day.

It's among events geared to amateurs — there will also be a snowboard camp for girls — during the Jan. 20-24 festival, which is staging the IG/FIS Snowboard World Cup.

Some of the world's top athletes will compete in

halfpipe, giant parallel slalom, snowboardcross and big air on the last stop of the snowboard world cup circuit before the Olympics.

The big air event will be held in downtown Quebec City at a venue below the ramps to Autoroute Dufferin-Montmorency. The

same site will be used for Stairsmasters, a street-riding contest for snowboarders.

Stoneham Mountain Resort is located 20 minutes north of Quebec City.

For more information on the clinics visit [snowjambo.com](http://snowjambo.com).

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The festival kicks off Jan. 20 and runs to Jan 24.

### Travel in brief

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**ALASKA** While most visitors come to Alaska in the summer, winter offers unique experiences: A chance to see the Northern Lights, dog-sledding and snowmobiling. The Anchorage Fur Rendezvous Festival, which started 75 years ago as a way to welcome miners and trappers to town, featuring a fur auction, blanket toss, snowshoe-softball tournament, outhouse races, ice bowling, the Miners and Trappers Ball and the sprint-distance Rondy World Championship Sled Dog Race, Feb. 26-March 7. [furrondy.net](http://furrondy.net).

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## Travel in brief

**HOTEL** Armani Hotel Dubai, the first hotel to open under the collaboration between Giorgio Armani and Emaar

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## Olympics on the cheap

How to enjoy Vancouver during the Games

If you should come across an extra \$1,100 hiding in the cushions of your couch, prime seats for the opening ceremonies are surely one of the best ways to enjoy the 2010 Olympic Games.

It doesn't mean the Games are beyond your rather limited monetary reach. Tourism officials say there's plenty for the frugal traveller to do at the Winter Games this February.

"Certainly there are some really hot tickets ... but there's lots of things and ways to experience the Games that don't have to be really expensive, and sometimes that means not even necessarily spending all of your time and money watching sporting events," says Amber Sessions, spokeswoman for Tourism Vancouver.

There are dozens upon dozens of free events, including the Ozone at the Speed skating Oval in Richmond, 24 hectares of food, fireworks and fun. The



There is plenty of cheap things to do around Vancouver.

Ozone will have live entertainment including Our Lady Peace, Hawksley Workman, and Bedouin Soundclash, not to mention Heineken House.

Heineken House comes courtesy of the Dutch and will provide the ambience for their national hospitality house, where medals will be handed out to athletes from the Netherlands.

And for a frugal first-hand experience of the Olympics, remember that

not all sports are created equal. A mere \$25 to \$30 buys a ticket to many of the alpine events in Whistler and \$50 will get you into the cheap seats at the Olympic Speedskating Oval or the preliminary rounds of hockey.

There are definitely restrictions on who will be allowed up to Whistler given the limited number of places to stay, but the resort town will have an impressive lineup of free concerts.

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**One plans Lennon book**

Yoko Ono is to release a book about her life with John Lennon. The 76-year-old widow of the late former Beatle has revealed she will put pen to paper over the next few years and write an autobiography about her eventful life with John. [FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK](http://FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK)

**Vaughn weds**

Vince Vaughn married fiancée Kyla Weber last weekend during a small ceremony in his hometown of Chicago, his rep confirms to People magazine. Weber is a Canadian real estate agent. [PEOPLE.COM](http://PEOPLE.COM)

# Entertainment

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**Kevin Bacon recognized for charity**

**PEOPLE** Hollywood's awards season is just beginning, and Kevin Bacon has already won.

The 51-year-old actor, nominated for Screen Actors Guild and Golden Globe awards for his starring turn in the TV movie *Taking Chance*, will receive the Joel Siegel Award from the Broadcast Film Critics Association. The award recognizes an entertainer's charitable efforts.

Meryl Streep will present the honour to Bacon at the Critics' Choice Movie Awards on Jan. 15.

Bacon is being honoured for website SixDegrees.org. Bacon said he was inspired by Paul Newman, who "took this simple idea and was able to translate it into millions and millions of dollars of good work."

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**In brief**

**PEOPLE** The people who watch TV shows, buy movie tickets and follow their favourite artists online get to call the shots during the first show of Hollywood's awards season: the People's Choice Awards. The awards will be presented today in Los Angeles. Topping the nominees are vampire tales *Twilight* and *True Blood*.

**MOVIES** The sci-fi smashes *Avatar*, *Star Trek* and *District 9* are among nominees for top film honours from the Producers Guild of America. The group also handed best-picture nominations to Up, *Inglourious Basterds*, *The Hurt Locker*, *Precious*, Up in the Air, An Education and *Invictus*.

**COURTS** A Los Angeles judge has scheduled a hearing today in Roman Polanski's criminal case. It's the first time the sex case will be back in court since an appeals court last month rejected Polanski's bid to have it dismissed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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## Growing pains

Michael Cera returns with *Youth In Revolt*

RICHARD CROUSE  
for Metro Canada

**In Youth in Revolt, Brampton, Ont., born actor Michael Cera plays an anachronistic Frank Sinatra fan who falls for the anachronistic Jean-Paul Belmondo loving girl who lives next door at the trailer park.**

When circumstance steps in to keep them apart he (with the help of an imaginary friend named Francois Dillinger) changes his life to be with her.

Cera admits the idea of having one of his favourite books pared down from 500 pages to a 90 minute script made him nervous but he couldn't resist the

opportunity to sign on to the project.

"I just love the book," he says. "It's very cinematic and I thought the humour of the book would work very well on screen. That was the thought behind the movie; to capture the humour on screen."

"You can't tell the whole story of the book because it is so huge, but the book exists for that reason. The book is its own enjoyment."

His character, Nick Twisp, appealed to the actor because it had a ring of authenticity often missing from teen comedies.

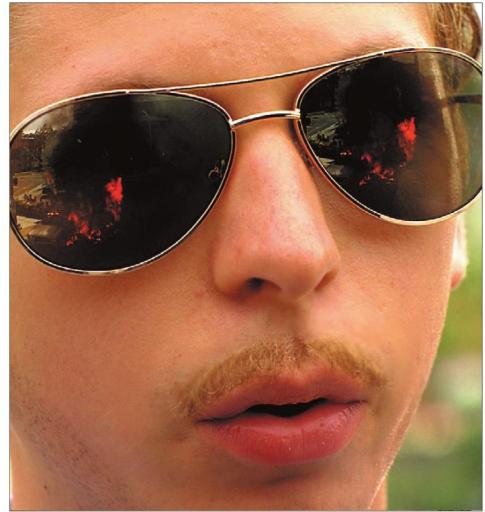
"I love the voice of the

character," he said, "and it's nice when you're reading the book because you're reading his journal so you are really tapping right into his mind. It feels like you are feeling the thought process of the author. I connected with that."

"The character was real," he said. "C.D. Payne wrote it really personally. It felt like he wrote it in his own voice. He wasn't trying to write like a fourteen year old kid. He didn't add

in any false naivety or didn't try and sound less intelligent he was just writing and it was personal. I think that's why people connect to things; when they feel

Youth in  
Revolt is in  
theatres this  
Friday

Canadian actor Michael Cera stars in new movie *Youth In Revolt*.

personal."

Cera hopes audiences will relate with *Youth in Revolt*. "I hope maybe people will feel inspired," he says. "That would be the

best case scenario. That's the best feeling I have walking out of the movies. That's a hard thing to accomplish but it is special when it happens."

**critics' corner****Republic of Doyle**

Gotta love working with Dad — just ask the Teutul boys of "American Chopper" fame. This new comedy-drama series follows the fortunes of Malachy and Jake Doyle (Sean McGinley, Allan Hawco), a father and son who work as private investigators in St. John's, Nfld. Dad's all business, Sonny's a bit of a rogue, but they get the job done. In the premiere, they try to help a friend accused of manslaughter who refuses to defend himself. 9 PM on 8 CBC

**The 36th Annual People's Choice Awards**

From the Nokia Theatre in Los Angeles, Queen Latifah hosts a ceremony honoring favorites in the fields of music, movies and TV based on the results of a viewers poll. Among the field of nominees, Anna Paquin ("True Blood"), Blake Lively ("Gossip Girl"), Jennifer Love Hewitt ("Ghost Whisperer"), Katherine Heigl ("Grey's Anatomy") and Mariska Hargitay ("Law & Order: Special Victims Unit") vie for favorite TV drama actress. 9 PM on 13 CBS, 3 GTV

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-	62	13	CBS	The Insider (N)	Judge-Brown (N)	Get That a Lot (N)	Omni News: S. Asian Edition	Two/Half Men	King			
216	395	14	OMNI2	Family Guy	The Simpsons	Heure polit.	Omni News: Cantonese Edition	Two/Half Men	Cold Case			
214	344	15	CITY	Law & Order: Special Victims	Mercy (HDTV) (N)	Le Téléjournal (SC)	Modern Family	Cougar Town	The Jay Leno Show (N)	News		
115	343	16	CFMT	Two/Half Men	The Office	Modern Family	Vivere V.	Dieu Merci (SC)	Ugly Betty (HDTV) (N)	Look I Cook		
218	345	18	CHCH	Tenn Knight (1998, Adventure) Kris Lemche, Benjamin Plerier.	Ocean's Thirteen *** (2007, Comedy-Drama) George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon.	This Emotional Life "Rethinking Happiness" (N) (DVS)	Expect to Die ** (1996, Action) David Bradley, Jalal Merhi.	FOX 2 News (N)	Charlie Rose	News at 11 (N)		
-	361	20	ABC	Action News	Entertainment	The Middle (N)	Modern Family	Cougar Town	(10:01) Ugly Betty (N)	CTV News		
512	396	24	CPAC	Audiences du CRTC	Heure polit.	L'Heure politique				Tête-à-tête	Podium	
651	355	25	CTS	Little House on the Prairie	Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman	100 Huntley Street	Life Today	This Is Day	John Hagee			
-	365	36	FOX	TMZ (N)	Seinfeld	Glee "Mash Up" (HDTV)	Glee "Wheels" (HDTV)	FOX 2 News (N)	News			
-	64	64	PBS	Business Rpt.	From the Top	The Human Spark (DVS)	This Emotional Life "Rethinking Happiness" (N) (DVS)	RDI économie	Le National!	Le Téléjournal		
205	312	104	CTV	etalk	Access H.	Ocean's Thirteen *** (2007, Comedy-Drama) George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon.	CBC News: The National	Avalanche: The White Death	National			
502	390	26	NW	Connect Today's biggest stories. (N)								
500	509	33	CNN	CNN Tonight (N)	Campbell Brown (N)	Larry King Live (N)	Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)					
406	417	27	net	World Cup Skating FIS Alpine.	Skiing MMA Conn	The Ultimate Fighter	Sportsnet Connected (HDTV)	Prime Time				
126	730	28	RD1	24 Heures en 60 minutes	Grands reportages (SC)	Le Téléjournal (SC)						
400	280	30	TSN	NHL Hockey Toronto Maple Leafs at Philadelphia Flyers. (HDTV) (Live)								
410	403	52	SCR	College Football GMAC Bowl -- Central Michigan vs. Troy from Mobile, Ala. (Live)								
411	457	56	OLN	Ghost Hunters Academy	Destination Truth	Operate-Repo	Operate-Repo	Ghost Hunters Academy				
417	406	59	SC	Pass Time	Dangerous Drives (HDTV) (N)	Pass Time	Wrecked	Wrecked				
554	521	48	TEL	Scooby-Doo	Total Drama	6TEEN	Futurama	King of the Hill	Destin. Truth			
557	540	51	FAM	Sonic Chance	Zack & Cody	Overruled! Han. Montana	Wizards-Place	American Dad	Robot Chicken			
551	542	55	YTV	iCarly	Malcolm-Mid.	Hates Chris	Latest Buzz	Ned's School	That's-Raven			
570	580	29	MM	The Daily Fix	Ranked!	Gene Simmons	Gene Simmons	Cory in House	Prank Patrol			
615	520	31	A&E	Criminal Minds (HDTV)	Bounty Hunter	Dog the Bounty Hunter	Bounty Hunter	Steven Seagal	Wild 'n Out	mmtop10.ca		
628	584	32	SPKE	UFC Unleashed	UFC Unleashed (HDTV)	Ways to Die	Ways to Die	Steven Seagal	Steven Seagal			
521	560	34	TLC	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	Cake Boss	MANswers (N)	MANswers			
145	761	35	TV5	Adopte-moi	Les Randonneurs ** (1997, Comédie) Benoit Poelvoorde.			Tailgate Take	Cake Boss			
166	521	39	SHO	Relic Hunter	Devil's Diary (2007, Suspense) Deanna Casaluce.			Avenirs	Mixeur			
620	523	40	BVO	Death at-Opera	Bravo!Videos	Arts & Minds	O'Reagan File	Hawthorne "Pilot" (N)	TV5 Le Journal			
520	505	42	DIS	Daily Planet (N)	Destroyed	Destroyed	Wingfield	White Collar "Treats"	NCIS			
575	583	43	CMT	Amer. Funniest Home Videos	Reba	Star Portraits	Mayday "Gimli Glider"	Law & Order				
601	562	45	SLC	Rich Bride, Poor Bride	Reba	According-Jim	According-Jim	Daily Planet				
625	548	46	COM	Air Force	End of Leash	End of Leash	Home Improve.	Home Improve.	Do South			
294	529	47	TBS	Family Guy	Law & Order: SVU	End of Leash	End of Leash	End of Leash	ET Canada			
600	564	49	H&G	House Hunters	Property Virgin	Agent-Agent	Intervention	House Hunters	Homes-Homes Supernatural			
627	528	50	SPC	Stargate Atlantis (DVS)	Lost "The Lie"	Property Virgin	Unsellable	House Hunters	Stargate SG-1			
521	566	51	MTV	Peak Season	After	Cribs	Parent Control	House Hunters	MTV Live			
618	524	54	TROP	Race Ink	Hoarders (N)	The Real World "D.C."	The Real World (N)					
522	506	55	HIS	Ice Pilots NWT (N)	Nostradamus Effect (N)	Ice Road Truckers	Hoarders "Patty, Bill" (N)					
129	773	60	CD	Biographies (HDTV)	Le Convoy de l'extrême (HDTV)	Destr Expr	Destr Expr	Parking Wars	Spoiled Rotten			
261	394	61	W	Murder, She Wrote	Keeping Up	Open All Hours	Histoires de crimes	Ice Pilots NWT (HDTV)	Re-Inventors			
602	567	62	W	Supernanny	Dine With Me	Grocery Bag	The Restaurant	Chef Worthy	Elvis Lives			
269	350	70	APTN	Investigates	Ni Sauvage, Ni Barbare	Wings-Canada	The Restaurant	Fear-Kitchen	Images-chocs			
621	527	71	TLK	Look-A-Like	TMZ	The Ellen DeGeneres Show (N)	The View (HDTV)	Iron Chef America	Elvis Lives			
603	561	95	FN	Ricardo	Fresh-Anna	Challenge	The Dr. Oz Show (N)	Chopped (N)	Grocery Bag			

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Ivanova discusses Wood relationship

Ekaterina Ivanova, the 21-year-old former waitress who dated 62-year-old Rolling Stones guitarist Ronnie Wood for 18 months, is talking about the relationship. In an interview with British tabloid The Sun, Ivanova calls Wood an "evil goblin king." METRO NEWS SERVICES

## Celebrity Buzz

## Celebrity tweets

**Matthew Perry** wants to see more modesty in the world. **Serena Williams** turns to her Twitter followers for culinary advice and **Danny DeVito** really enjoyed Avatar.



@langfordperry Why do men insist on not using a towel? Cover yourself up sweaty fat naked man!

@serenajwilliams How do I make beans?? My mom is not answering her phone!! Hurry!! I just boil them for like what 3 hrs??

@Danny\_DeVito Great movie. IMAX in Burbank. Smaller screen but great picture. Like to bang one of those ten foot broads!

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## Did a friend rob her?

**BFFS NO MORE** Sounds like Lindsay Lohan's new year has gotten off on the wrong foot, us-magazine.com reports.

While celebrating 2010 on the island of St. Barth's, the 23-year-old star discovered that she was ripped off by her longtime best friend and sidekick Patrick (Pootie) Aufdenkamp.

A friend close to Lohan tells usmagazine.com, "Patrick stole Lindsay's sketches for her new 6126 clothing line." WWD reported Dec. 30 that Lohan's 6126 leggings line would be expanded to become a full clothing collection for fall 2010; her role as artistic advisor for fashion house Emanuel Ungaro, despite a rocky start, is also ongoing.

Lohan tells usmagazine.com that

Aufdenkamp has been her "best friend" since she was 16. He has frequently been photographed with the actress, and was present at many meetings related to her new fashion line.

"He is now running off trying to do his own line," a Lohan pal says.

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## Jolie kids inherit six-figures

**NEW TRUST FUND** Three of Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt's children were left a handsome six-figure sum by the actress' late mother, according to documents filed in Los Angeles Superior Court last week, us-magazine.com reports.

Actress Marcheline Bertrand — who died in 2007 after a cancer battle — gave Maddox, 8, Za-

hara, 6, and Shiloh, 3, each \$100,000 US in a new trust fund. The three cannot have access to the money until they turn 25.

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## Carey joins hubby at club

**COPLES NIGHT OUT** After performing at Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa on Saturday night, Mariah Carey kept the party going until the wee hours, joining husband Nick Cannon as he deejayed in club mur.mur, people.com reports.

"Security literally cleared a path for her to walk through," says a witness. "She was surrounded by handlers."

Carey spent her night singing

along "to just about every song" — including her own, Emotions — and happily posed and waved for fans while giggling with her dancers.

When Cannon's set wrapped around 2 a.m., Carey joined him in the deejay booth to close out the evening

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## Winehouse dad discourages union

**SECOND TIME'S A CHARM?** Amy Winehouse's reconciliation with ex-husband Blake Fielder-Civil seems to be going well, and her father isn't thrilled about it, according to Closer magazine. "I'd be devastated," he says of the possibility of the two getting remarried. "I'm worried about the situation and I'm going to discourage her in every way I can. Their relationship was a disaster, it was destructive and they're lucky that one of them didn't die."

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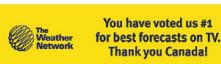




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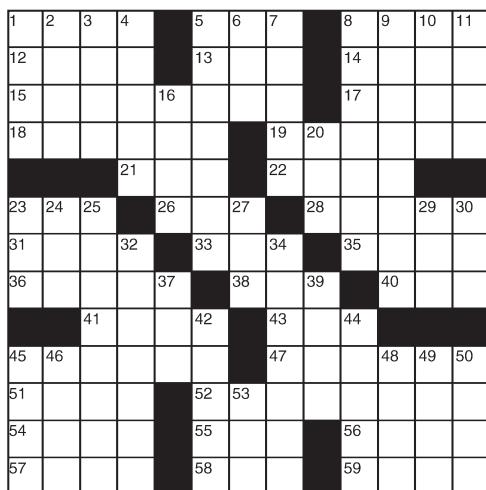
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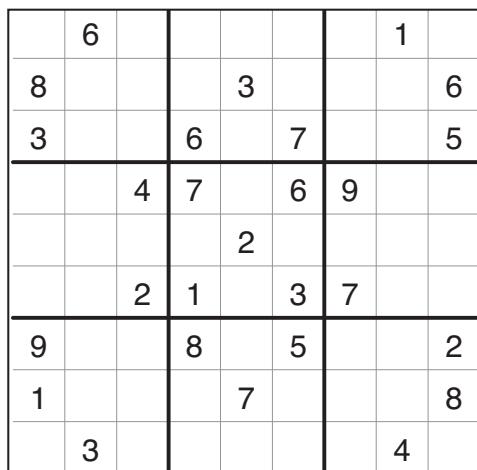
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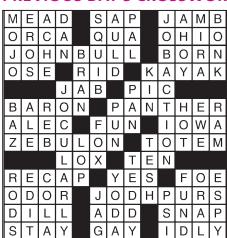
#### ACROSS

- 1 Now, on a memo
- 5 Early bird?
- 8 Oodles
- 12 Undraped
- 13 Ultra-modernist
- 14 "Forget it!"
- 15 Attack without restraint
- 17 Actor Rip
- 18 Long step
- 19 Ducklings' pops
- 21 Meadow
- 22 Ganges wrap
- 23 Curved line
- 26 Billboards
- 28 Male singing voice
- 31 Nitwit
- 33 Droop
- 35 Go nowhere
- 36 Capital of Jordan
- 38 Drops on the lawn
- 40 Tramcar load
- 41 The era of Shak.
- 42 Meadow
- 43 Catch red-
- 45 Fed
- 46 Portrayal
- 48 Rodents do it
- 49 "Beetle Bailey" dog
- 50 Corner
- 53 Eg. and Syr., once

#### DOWN

- 1 Picnic invaders
- 2 Tallow
- 3 Hebrew month
- 4 Danger
- 5 Groups of nine
- 6 Comprehend
- 7 Merchandise
- 8 Brightest star in Scorpio
- 9 Investigate
- 10 Shrek is one

#### PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



8	9	4	1	3	2	5	7	6
6		3						
3		6	7					5
	4	7	6	9				
			2					
	2	1	3	7				
9		8	5					2
1			7					8
3								4

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### Horoscopes by Sally Brompton [sallybrompton.com](http://sallybrompton.com)

#### ARIES

**MARCH 21-APRIL 20**



It's highly unlikely that you will be able to compromise so go your own way and do your own thing. You don't need other people to hold your hand.

#### TAURUS

**APRIL 21-MAY 21**



You've got to make changes and you've got to make them now. With Pluto strong in your chart you won't find it hard to be ruthless.

#### SCORPIO

**OCT 24-NOV 22**



Difficult aspects to Mars over the next few days warn you would be wise not to push your luck, especially when dealing with authority figures.

#### GEMINI

**MAY 22-JUNE 21**



You want to do something dramatic but what are your motives? Is there something specific you wish to achieve or do you just want to make a noise?

#### SAGITTARIUS

**NOV 23-DEC 21**



You may have to reveal something about yourself that you were hoping to keep secret but it would have come out sooner or later.

#### CANCER

**JUNE 22-JULY 22**



If someone you love gives you a hard time about something today don't take it personally. Most likely they are going through a phase.

#### CAPRICORN

**DEC 22-JAN 20**



There is so much determination and intensity about you at the moment that no obstacle can stop you from reaching your goal.

#### LEO

**JULY 23-AUG 23**



You would be wise not to force others to make changes that may not suit their needs. A more moderate course will work better for everyone.

#### AQUARIUS

**JAN 21-FEB 18**



Keep reminding yourself that you have nothing to prove. Keep reminding yourself that who you are is who you are meant to be.

#### VIRGO

**AUG 24-SEPT 22**



Do you follow your instincts and put yourself at odds with majority opinion? Be true to what you believe. Otherwise, why believe anything?

#### PISCES

**FEB 19-MARCH 20**



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- 1205: Philip of Swabia becomes King of the Romans.
- 1540: King Henry VIII of England marries Anne of Cleves.
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- 1929: Mother Teresa arrives in Calcutta to begin her work among India's poorest and diseased people.
- 1941: President Franklin Delano Roosevelt delivers his Four Freedoms Speech in the State of the Union Address.
- 1994: Nancy Kerrigan is clubbed in the knee at the U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Detroit.

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